

Group IV: Claims 33-43, drawn to a method of determining the risk for atherosclerosis in a mammal;

Group V: Claims 44-54, drawn to a method of monitoring the efficacy of treatment for atherosclerosis;

Group VI: Claims 55-64, drawn to a method of determining the risk for osteoporosis in a mammal; and

Group VII: Claims 65-75, drawn to a method of monitoring the efficacy of a treatment of osteoporosis.

In response to this restriction requirement, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-12.

If a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (510) 769-3513.

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